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A fabulous run through the dandenongs with a pub lunch and afternoon tea at Kate Hutson's place

The MMCCV acknowledges Dr. David Warren AO, Founding Patron, MMCCV

Club meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month.

NEXT MEETING:

Club Meeting on Thursday 9th July 2026 at 8.00 pm.

Meeting to commence at 7:30 pm. Our President, Russell Hatton will send a Zoom link a few days prior to the meeting for those unable to or not wishing to attend in person. If you are attending via Zoom please mute yourself until you wish to comment as background noise makes it very hard to hear.

at the Horrie Watson Pavilion Deepdene Park, Whitehorse Road, Deepdene 3103

on the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people

(Melways Map 46 Ref. A8)

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Thanks to everyone who helps with the various chores necessary for the successful running of the club.

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Web Address: **www.morrisminorvic.org.au**

Username: **mmccv**

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BSB No : 633 000

ACCOUNT No : 1469 35168

ACCOUNT NAME : Morris Minor Car Club of Victoria Inc.

In the reference field, please quote your Membership Number and what the payment is for.

IMPORTANT UPDATE TO CLUB PERMIT SCHEME

Important: The following rules apply from 1st September 2025

ALL Club Permit Holders.

For new applications and renewals please mail your forms to:

CPS Registrar Mail: PO Box 1112 South Melbourne 3205. Or Email morrisminorclubplates@gmail.com

enquires PH Geoff Shepherd 0419 13 77 11

It is the Club Member's responsibility to send renewals and applications in a timely manner.

New Permits (Morris Minor and non-Morris Minor Vehicles and Motorcycles)

You must be either a life member or financial (paid up) member before you can apply for a new permit. An application fee of $20 is required. Payment can be made via cash or cheque to the MMCCV Secretary or a Committee member at MMCCV monthly meetings. There is no 6-month membership qualification time for any Morris Minor vehicle for new members.

When applying for a permit for a:

Morris Minor

Email or mail a copy of the vehicles current RWC, proof of ownership and the following **(2) VicRoads forms** 1. Club Permit Application form 2. Vehicle Eligibility and Standards Declaration for Club Permit Scheme Vehicle form.

Non-Morris Minor Vehicles and Motorcycles

Applications must be accompanied by all the above plus proof of current registration of a Morris Minor vehicle held in the name of the applicant. Members wanting to register a N**on-Morris** Minor or motorcycle must have been a member of our Club for at least 6 months.

All Morris Minor and Non-Morris Minor vehicle applications must include (6) recent photos:

1. Vehicle front	2. Vehicle rear	3. Vehicle driver's side
4. Vehicle driving position (side on, driver's door open)	5. Chassis no or ID plate	6. Vehicle engine bay

Motorcycle photos should include 1,2 & 5 (above) plus LHS RHS views and speedo.

Mailed photos should be signed and dated on back. Electronic photos are authenticated by email date.

You **must** notify The Committee of your red plate permit number within 48 hours of VicRoads issue via email to morrisminorclubplates@gmail.com . Failure to notify the Committee of your club permit number can have serious consequences for the Club and may cause the Club's permit scheme to be suspended by VicRoads for failure to keep up to date records.

Renewals

Remember to sign your renewal application. If your application is not signed it will be returned to you. No photos are required for renewal applications. Please email or, **if mailing, send a stamped self-addressed envelope with VicRoads Renewal form.** No renewal reminders will be issued to permit holders. Please do not request the Committee to mail your renewal and payment to VicRoads.

Rules Regarding Club CPS Responsibilities

A vehicle is not eligible for a Club Permit if any of the following conditions exist:

The member has ceased to be financial.

The vehicle is being used for commercial gain.

The vehicle is unroadworthy.

The vehicle is sold with logbook and plates.

The vehicle is sold to a friend so that a new logbook might be obtained.

Further information on the Club Permit Scheme (CPS) can be found on the VicRoads website.

President's Report June 2026

Hi Everyone,

As we are now past the Winter Solstice, the daylight hours will gradually start to increase. Whilst we have had a mixture of cold and relatively mild weather, we couldn't have asked for a better day to hold the June run through the Dandenong's. After meeting at Ferntree Gully Mc Donalds, around 11 Morries headed off to the famous Puffing Billy trestle bridge. This was once again a perfect photo opportunity as Puffing Billy passed overhead across the bridge.
It was then off towards Emerald where there is a second opportunity to see Puffing Billy as it crosses the Belgrave – Gembrook Road crossing. From there we headed to Emerald where we had some free time to explore the township, or in my case, check out the fabulous display of Morries and indulge in some Morrie talk.
From there it was a run through the hills to the Pine Grove Hotel in Upper Beaconsfield where a group of over 20 of us enjoyed a fabulous lunch, and most importantly, each other's company around an enormous dining table.
By that stage, one would have thought there'd been enough food for the day but there was more to come. After lunch we ventured to Kate Hutson's home for afternoon tea and a look at Kate's extensive collection of Morris Minor memorabilia. Since we were last there, Kate has completed her garage which now houses her car 'Joyful' and a fascinating collection of Morris Minor related garagenalia.
It was a long day for all of us but a thoroughly enjoyable one. I'd like to especially thank Kate for inviting us all to enjoy her home and providing a delicious afternoon tea. Also thanks to Mark Bosley for his time in planning the event.
The National Rally has reached over 250 participants. Planning is continuing and a number of details for various events has been posted in updates on the Facebook page. To keep up with the latest, join Morris Minor National Rally 2027 on FB
I look forward to seeing you at the July General Meeting,
In the meantime,
Keep On Morrying.

Russell Hatton
President
Keep On Morrying.

MMCCV Marketplace
CLUB REGALIA

Want to buy some gear? Contact Alan Todd

Mobile 0419 505 200 or email

regalia@morrisminorvic.org.au

Regalia Items which are in stock are listed here:

ITEM:	**COST:**
Black Morris T Shirts	$25
Spray Jackets Blue	$22
Spray Jackets Red	$22
Spray Jackets Black	$22
Morris Logo T Shirts	$25
Morris Logo Polo Shirt	$35
Morris Logo Rugby Top	$40
Morris Club Vest	$45
Morris Logo Caps	$20
Stubby Holders	$5
Morris Club Grille Badge	$40
Morris Car Banner	$10
My other car is a Morris Minor Sticker	$10

Contact Alan Todd Mobile 0419 505 200 or email regalia@morrisminorvic.org.au

Apparel available to order
Chambray shirts (pale blue) with club logo $39.
Navy Scarf with logo $17.
Club lapel badge $10.
Various badges.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT **JULY 2026**

Dandenong Ranges Ramble and visit to Kate's house for afternoon tea.

A day "out of the box" as they say, a sunny but crisp morning as we gathered at McDonald's in Ferntree Gully for our adventure to ramble through the Dandenong Ranges tracking down Puffing Billy, once that was achieved treat ourselves to lunch at the Pine Grove Hotel followed by afternoon tea at Kate Hutson's house.

There was a great turn out of cars and people with many members travelling great distances to the run. This showed the great spirit of the club.

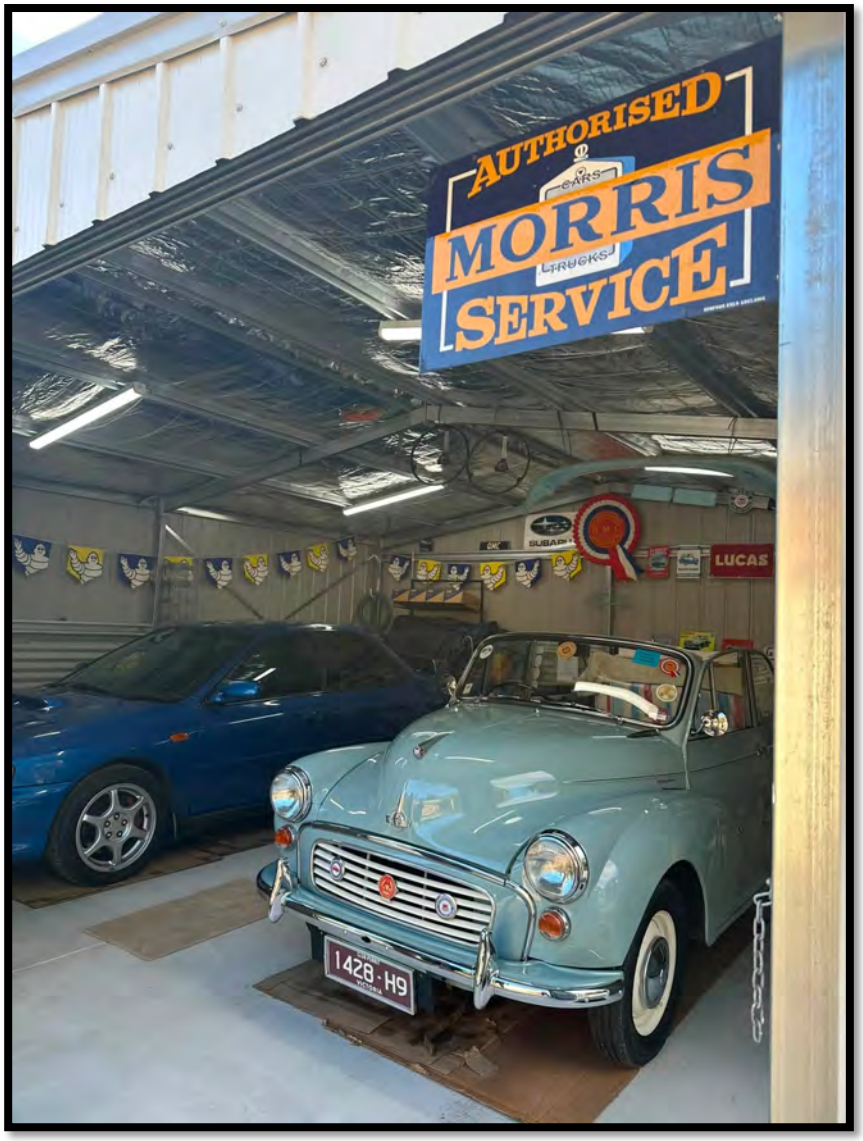
We started out from Ferntree Gully and headed for our first stop at the Puffing Billy Trestle bridge in Selby. Most cars made it to the first stop just in time for the train to come over the bridge. One car decided not to go up the hill to Belgrave but thanks to some mechanical knowledge by the owner was able to get going again. Thank you to Bob and Brenda, Ben and Tammy and Jim for stopping and helping out.
Our next stop, which all cars made it too was the rail crossing near Emerald where we arrived with minutes to spare before Puffing Billy came chugging past again.

We had made good time over the journey so we stopped in Emerald for a look around and a coffee before heading to the pub for lunch.

We all followed Kate down the road from Emerald towards the Pine Grove Hotel and her house.
Arriving at the hotel not long after midday we had a nice lunch a good chat amongst the members. The food and service at the pub was great. We finally left about two o'clock and head just down the road to Kate's house and afternoon tea.

It must have been at least two years since our last visit to Kate's house which was just completed. It now has lovely gardens and an additional shed to help store cars and memorabilia.
Kate had been busy baking cakes for our visit and had plenty of tea and coffee. Everyone had a good look around at Kate's collection model cars and other Morris Minor memorabilia.

It was getting late in the day and we all thanked Kate for her hospitality and started on the trip home. Everyone had a great day.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Images courtesy of Mark Bosley, Craig Ellis

Upcoming events.

Combined Morris Car Clubs Xmas in July Sunday July 26 - 11:30
Melton Entertainment Park, 2 Ferris Road Melton

This event is being organised and hosted by Ballarat club.
All Morris car clubs have been invited.
The event will be held in the Bistro and you pay for meals and drinks as you order.
The venue is just off the Western Freeway so easy access for all clubs.
Start time is 11:30 in car park for photos, a chat and inspection of each other's cars and lunch from 12:00 in the Bistro.
Please RSVP to secretary@morrisminorvic.org.au or 0407 418 115 or a comment on Facebook event by Sunday 19 July so that I can let organisers know how many seats we will need.

Coffee and Car Display with MG Car Club Shannon's Insurance Heatherton
Saturday August 1
We have been invited to coffee and car display in association with MG Car Club at Shannon's Insurance showroom in Heatherton, the same location as our swap meet. We will have a selection of our cars on display. More information to come.

Some suggested upcoming events - Dates and times to be confirmed.
Cranbourne Botanic gardens - September
Guest at Rob Roy Hill Climb with MG Car Club.
MorryKhana - October
Stewart Carr's garage and Minor collection.
Combined Morris Minor club's memorial run Trentham-November.
Annual Christmas party November.
Christmas at Thorpes Garage -December.

Mark Bosley Club Captain

Sabi – our Canine member!

Secretary July 2026 Report
Mark Bosley

I received copies of newsletters from the flowing clubs.
If anyone would like a copy, please email me at secretary@morrisminorvic.org.au and I will forward a copy.

Central Victoria Morris Minor Car Club
Minor Matters Ballarat Morris Minor Club
Toowoomba and Downs Morris Group

Geelong Morris Minor Club & BMC club.
Morris Car Club of South Australia.

AOMC (Association of Motoring Clubs)

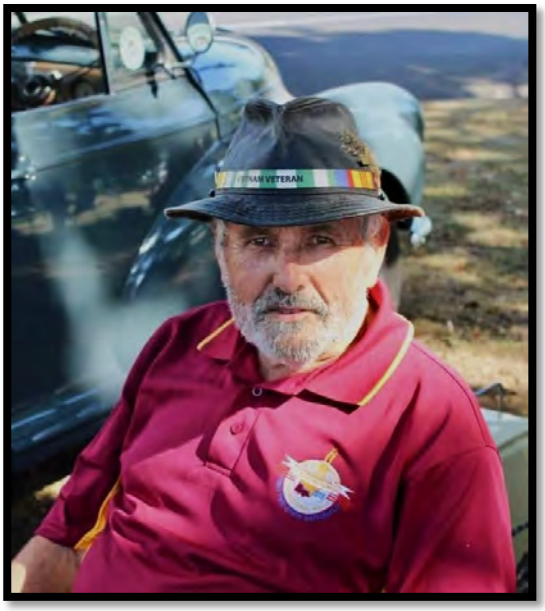
As a club we are a member of the AOMC, and we are members of their insurance scheme MembershipPLUS which provides insurance at a very reasonable prices to participating clubs.
The association conducts car shows, information sessions, publications, an archive search and represent member club's interests to government and regulatory bodies.
As secretary I receive a weekly bulletin with upcoming events and information.
All this information including upcoming car events can be found on their web site, which is well worth a look.
https://www.aomc.asn.au/

MembershipPLUS Insurance scheme AOMC

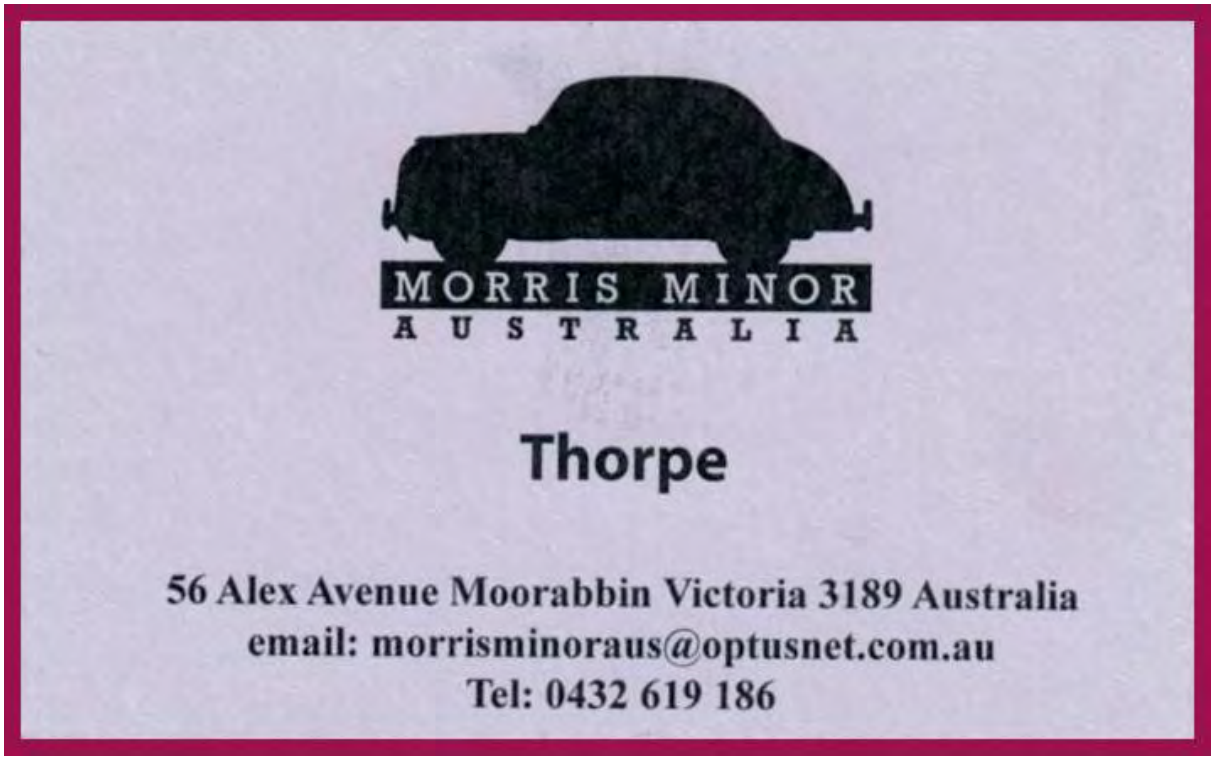
The club is a member of the Membership PLUS insurance scheme through the AOMC. We have been notified that AOMC has re-negotiated with the under writers of the scheme to continue for the 2026 – 2027 year. This is good news for the club as it provides a very affordable insurance option for us. We will receive an invoice for payment and continuing coverage in the upcoming weeks.

Mark Bosley
Club Secretary

Vale Jeff Stanyer:



It is with great sadness that we advise of the passing of Jeff Stanyer who was a life member of the Club (member 218) He died after a long battle with ill health.
We extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends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MMCCV Treasurer's Report
May
2026

01/05/26-31/04/26

MMCCV Cheque A/C		C/M	YTD
Receipts			
Club Raffle	$	32.00	$547.00
Events			$2,305.00
Membership 25/26			$1,750.00
Membership 26/27	$	1,300.00	$1,565.00
CPS / AOMC Book Sales	$	20.00	$60.00
Regalia Sales			$190.00
Badges			$60.00
Reimburse overpayment	$	-	$0.00
Donation	$	100.00	$335.00
Deposit IWD	$	-	$0.00
Deposit Mystery Run	$	-	$0.00
Error Deposit			$200.00
Calendar			$385.00
Interest from TD	$	-	$0.00
Principle from TD	$	-	$0.00
Total Income	$	1,452.00	$7,397.00
Expenditure			
Bank Error			$200.00
"Generator" costs	$	-	$0.00
Regalia	$	-	$0.00
Postage			$52.50
Badges	$	16.50	$257.50
Suppers	$	36.98	$474.61
AOMC	$	-	$0.00
Trophies			$84.15
Auditor Fee	$	-	$0.00
Run costs	$	-	$55.61
Deposit			$550.00
Refunds	$	-	$0.00
BMC Experience subs	$	-	$0.00
CAV	$	-	$0.00
Rent			$525.00
Stationery	$	11.65	$36.40
Events			$3,013.04
Subscriptions/software			$416.93
Calendars			$419.80
Insurance			$299.97
Presentations/Prizes			$181.97
PO Box Rental			$192.00
Equipment	$	20.45	$20.45
Total Expenditure	$	85.58	$6,779.93
Net Income/Deficit		$1,366.42	$617.07

Unpresented Cheques

Nil

MMCCV Cheque A/C	
Balance as at 30/04/2026	$4,007.14
Net Income/Deficit	$1,366.42
Balance as at 31/05/2026	**$5,373.56**

MMCCV Term Deposit A/C	
Balance as at 30/04/2026	$5,240.37
Interest	$0.00
	$5,240.37
Transfer to Chq	$0.00
Balance as at 31/05/2026	**$5,240.37**

MMCCV ACCOUNTS	
Cheque Account	$5,373.56
Term Deposit	$5,240.37
Balance as at 31/05/2026	**$10,613.93**

Membership report for July 2026

Membership statistics are as follows:
174 Financial members including 5 Life members.

New Members:

Ray Barnett #1855 has a 1959 restored Green Morry 1000 van fitted out with a Datsun engine. As a student in the 60"s Ray grew up with Morris Minors and more recently, owned Morries for the past 30 years. Ray recently moved down from Canberra and is keen to meet up with fellow Morry enthusiasts.

We welcome Ray to the Club.

Club Name Badges:
These are available for $20 per person, contact me to order a badge. Come to a meeting wearing your badge and be in the running to choose a prize from the raffle table.

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA INCORPORATED HELD AT THE HORRIE WATSON HALL, DEEPDENE ON THURSDAY 11th JUNE 2026

Our president, Russell Hatton, welcomed the members present and requested mobile phone be set to silent. He opened the meeting at 8.00 pm.
Present: approximately 12 members present.
Apologies: CPS Officer, Geoff Shepherd, Trevor & Andrea Dangerfield; Ron Rooney; Leigh Wallace
A**cceptance of Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting:** held May 14th, 2026, accepted on the motion of Robert

Thorpe and seconded by Phil Plumbe.

President's Report: As per Generator as distributed.

1. **May Run:** this was a very successful run. 14 members were present. There was an informative tour of the Morgue and interesting details of early Melbourne, including abandoned ships in Port Philip Bay being used as Prison hulks due the rising crime rates.

Vice President's Report:

There is no Vice President therefor no report was tabled.

Secretary's Report:

1. **Correspondence received:**

The AOMC Bulleting

Newsletters from various Clubs are the country.

An email from Graham Dines regarding Christmas in July.

Mark has emailed a museum in Upper Beaconsfield to check availability, likely October or November. There is a local distillery there.

Treasurer's Report:

Operating account $6048.06

Term Deposit $520.37

The term deposit is due to mature on 13 June 2026. It has been agreed that this amount will be reinvested in a term deposit at 3% for six months due to expenses necessitated by the National Rally.

Membership Officer Report:

1. 175 members. one new member this month.

Members reminded they could pay their membership at the meeting if they wanted to.

Club Captain's Report:

Planned Runs for the remainder of 2026:

28 June: Run in the Dandenongs, stop at Puffing Billy, a pub lunch and afternoon tea at Kate Hutson's. Mark will add details of the run to our Facebook page and provide details for Barb Went so an email can be sent to Club members.

26 July: Christmas in July. This is a shared run, organised by the Ballarat Club. RSVP To Mark Bosley by 20/7/26.

1st August: Joint MG & MMCCV 9am to 12 noon. Coffee & Cars at the Shannons Insurance Complex in Heatherton.

August: Possible participation the the AOMC's Rob Roy Hill climb. However, the next Rob Roy Event is not until September 13th, so this will need to be reconsidered.

September: Cranbourne Botanic Gardens – Mark will follow up with Mark Parritt.

October: Morrykhana – location still to be confirmed but likely to be in Pearcedale. Geoff Shepherd investigating.

November: Christmas Party

December: Morning tea at Thorpe's garage.

Editor's Report:

Thank you to Robert Thorpe for his excellent contribution to the Generator. Request for more articles from members about their Morry.

Barb visited Haynes Motor Museum in Somerset and the Guide book was available to view.

CPS Officer's Report:

Geoff Shepherd absent. No report available

Regalia:

Alan absent, no report tabled.

AOMC:

No report as Russell unable to attend the last meeting for personal reasons.

General Business:

No general business to discuss.

For Sale/Wants and Needs:

John Ostler has 2 guards for his Morris 1000 but he is not happy with the condition of them and asked if anyone knew of a source for these. Phil Plumbe has one for sale. Phil expressed a concern about how hard it is becoming to obtain parts.

Discussion about after market panels and their quality.
Stewart Carr advised there are 2 types of panels available from the UK

1. A cheap version.
2. A heritage one of superior quality.

Discussion about trunnions following a Facebook entry that indicated that trunnion failure was to be expected. This is not the case, trunnions/ball joints should be inspected at every service. Trunnions in an MM are different to other Morry trunnions.

Complete king pin and trunnions are available on Minor Magic (NSW) and ESM (UK)

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.08 pm and the raffle was drawn.
Barbara Went for Mark Bosley, Secretary

JULY RUN REPORT:

The July Rn to the Dandenongs was a terrific success. The details are mentioned in the President and Club Captain's reports.

Please enjoy some of the images of the day, which was chilly to start but the warmth of the Club members kept every one warm! A special thank you to Kate Hutson for her help with organizing the run and opening her lovely home and garage to members, as well as providing afternoon tea. We had some members who drove over 6oo kms to attend – now that's dedication!

Images courtesy of Craig Ellis

HELP NEEDED INSERTING A REAR WINDOW IN A MORRY PLEASE

Brian Levey is after some help with putting rear window back in. He is in Boronia. He is happy to pay for it.
Brian's contact details are email brian.e.levey@gmail.com
Phone 0491722293
He has the rubber on screen and cord in place.
Any help would be greatly appreciated.

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EVENTS CALENDAR 2026:

Club Captain Mark Bosley 0407 418 115 or clubcaptain@morrisminorvic.org.au

Date:	Event:	Details:
July 26th Sunday	Combined Morris Car Clubs Xmas in July Sunday July 26 - 11:30 Melton Entertainment Park, 2 Ferris Road Melton	RSVP to Mark Bosley Club Captain secretary@morrisminorvic.org.au or 0407 418 115 or a comment on Facebook event by Sunday 19 July
August 1st Saturday	Coffee and Car Display with MG Car Club Shannon's Insurance Heatherton 9am to 12noon	40 Corporate Drive Heatherton
March 12th – 14th 2027	Auckland Morris Minor Club National Convention	More details to come
March 19th – 22 March 2027	MMCCV & CVMMCC joint National Rally	Details in this newsletter and online at their Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/groups/4251328961747771

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email editor@morrisminorvic.org.au

or

Contact: Barb Went 0409 002 531

When submitting items for the trading places would you kindly include your contact details so that anyone interested in your item can contact you. Thank you. Your advertisements will appear for 3 months running. After that date it will be removed unless you request it to be re-listed. If you do sell your advertised item, would you kindly notify the editor via email editor@morrisminorvic.org.au or phone 0409 002 531 so your advertisement can be removed from the Generator.

For Sale 1956 Morris Minor Series II, 4 Door Sedan. **2.**

This Morrie has undergone a full restoration and is in excellent condition.
It has been repainted in the original Champagne Ivory colour and has also been fitted with a 950 engine.
It has been on Club Permit registration and will be sold unregistered.
Please see the photos as they form part of the description.
Asking $12,000 but reasonable offers will be considered.
Please contact Colin Carter on 0409717401 for more details or for a viewing.

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For Sale 48/49 Morris Minor Project **2.**

Car located in Nyah. Blue Grey in colour.
Body has had repairs done, many years ago. Some rust to be removed then paint. All mechanics have been overhauled.
Price: negotiable

Contact: Geoff Cane 0408 703 517

FOR SALE **3.**

1950 Series MM Low Light Tourer for sale - $15,000 ONO Rare 1950
2-door Series MM (Low Light) Tourer. Same owner for the last
40 years. Has 950cc Morris Minor OHV engine, gearbox and diff, plus
Morris Major drum brakes. RWC will be provided prior to sale. Spare parts include tonneau cover, hub caps and more. Contact details: Rick Squire at rick.j.squire@gmail.com or 0439 367 479

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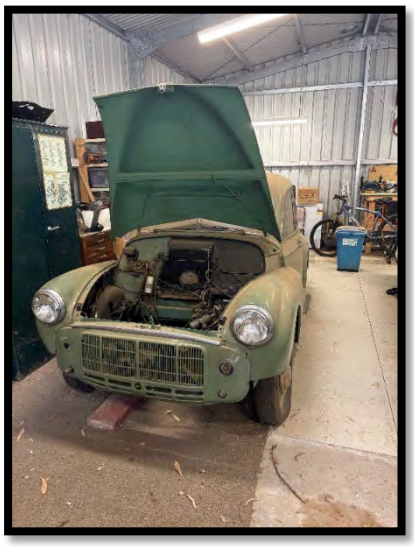
FOR SALE 1952 series II Split Screen Side Valve: **3.**

Ideal Project car. Body in excellent condition with very good interior. Paintwork also just needs a polish. Complete unit with engine ready to re-install. Lots of spare parts to go with her. Very regretful sale due to health reasons. $5,000 or near offer. Would love to see the old girl stay with the MMCCV. Located in Riddells Creek.

Neil Cheney
ncheney@bigpond.net.au
0407 565 075



22ND MORRIS MINOR NATIONAL RALLY
BENALLA VICTORIA 2027
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF THE MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA

BULLETIN 3

MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA
CENTRAL VICTORIAN MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB

19-22 MARCH 2027

Have you pre-registered?
join the other 200 attendees!

Friday 19/3/2027

5.00pm Registration at **Benalla Visitors Centre**
6.00 pm Welcome from Mayor
6.30pm Rotary BBQ dinner on the bank of the picturesque lake Benalla
9.00pm Retire to **'Farmers Arms'** Hotel for a drink and chat

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Saturday 20/3/2027

8.00 am Show and Shine
8.30am Rotary Breakfast BBQ
9.45am Rocker Cover Racers (RCR) practice
10.45am RCR Racing commences
1.00pm Fashion Parade
2.00pm ***Rally Run*** to **Silo art trail** or a relaxing afternoon at **'Farmers Arms'** Hotel
6.00pm **Benalla Bowls club** meal *(at your own expense)* and Trivia night

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Sunday 21/3/2027

9.00am ***Rally Run*** to Glenrowan Ned Kelly country, Brown Brothers, Milawa Cheese Factory, Winton Wetlands & Morrisons Wines etc.
6.00 – 10.30pm **Benalla Town Hall** for the Bushrangers Gala evening

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Monday 21/3/2026

8.00am Winton Motor Raceway Farewell Breakfast and ***Parade laps of the track****
*Optional parade laps around the track will be an extra charge

Friday Night Meet and Greet is at the Benalla Visitors Centre. Registration will be open all evening so no rush. An ongoing AV display in the theatrette will be of previous National Rallies, and there will be a talk about Ned Kelly from a local, a welcome from the Mayor and the meal is being prepared by the local Rotary Club. It's on the picturesque banks of Lake Benalla with the swimming pool next door. Then if you need more socialising the friendly, low key, Farmers Arms Hotel has a large, beautiful beer garden for people to relax and have a drink.

The Show and Shine on Saturday morning has evolved with all the cars being parked along a road which will be closed for our use. There will be Morry related stalls, Rocker Cover Racers (our RCR Mistress has been very busy sorting rules and obtaining a track), a Fashion Parade (more about fashions in another Bulletin). The area is on the banks of the river with large areas of grass for picnics.
At the end of the display we will have the choice of short local runs or just relaxing at the **Farmers Arms Hotel**. The Saturday dinner is at the **Benalla Bowls club** at your own cost so you can choose to spend up big or small.

The Sunday run is via Glenrowan, THE Ned Kelly town is a must, with a **Ned Kelly Discovery hub**, the **Ned Kelly Heritage Siege Precinct Walking Trail**, a museum, and of course shopping.
This will all get you in the mood for the **Bushrangers Gala on Sunday night at the Town Hall**.
This is also the **50th Anniversary of Morris Minor Clubs in Australia!** The Gala Gals subcommittee are busy at work making this a fabulous night.

On Monday we have a very special treat! Breakfast will be at the **Winton Motor Raceway** and optional **parade laps of the historic Raceway!** , and cars will go around the track in a manner befitting the dignity of the Morris Minor ie. NOT racing! This will be at an optional cost but it is a rare opportunity. Those of us who did The Bend in SA will understand how cool this is and a great photo opportunity.

This is also our farewell, and people can head home from here. Winton Motor Raceway is only 11km outside of town so very accessible.

The committee is having a lot of fun checking out cheese factories, wineries, museums and meeting great people in the area. Check out the Morry tattoo on Facebook! We also recently won the trivia night at the Farmers Arms!

One thing to note is the Town Hall has **limited capacity for the Bushranger Gala night** so we may have to have a cut off on numbers on that event. All other venues will be able to accomodate us – but get your **pre-registration done to avoid disappointment**.

Don't forget to send your email and club to us as well.

This is a great problem to have as it means there are lots of keen Morris Minors wanting to get together.

See you in Benalla

Braidy Davies
National Rally Director

Rocker Cover Rules

The term 'Car' refers to a rocker cover or valve cover from a BMC A series engine.

There will be two (2) Categories:

Category A- **those cars with CD wheels (Discs / Hard Drive discs)**

Category B- all others

There will be prizes in each category for the following:

The fastest, the best decorated, the funniest, the slowest and the Rocker Cover Mistress's Favorite!

1. This is a fun event
2. Cars shall be based on an actual rocker cover (valve cover) from a Series A engine. (British Motor Company- Austin, Morris, Mini, MG as examples)
3. Car must retain at least 75% of the original rocker cover.
4. Car must not have any form of mechanical propulsion or steering. Gravity is your friend.
5. Car must weigh no more than 5 kg.
6. Car overall length shall be no more than 2cm beyond the body of the car both front and back ie: the car cover length plus 4cm with the sides extending no more than 2cm.
7. Car must have 4 wheels.
8. in each category cars will be run in heats of 2 cars each. The first car to have its front wheels cross the finish line shall be declared the winner. If neither car makes it to the finish line, the car going farthest shall be declared the winner.
9. Winning cars will advance to the next round until all are eliminated - except one 'the champion'!
10. Losing cars will advance to the next round to run against the previous losing car until there is one losing car… the slowest! (The winning car process in reverse!!) A minimum distance must be travelled.
11. While the judges' decision is final, all bribes will be gratefully accepted. Any 'Constructor' who enters a protest will be automatically disqualified and sent to the naughty corner!
12. Downforce wings, spoilers, air dams, etc. are all permitted. They probably won't do any good, but we will all get a good laugh out of them.
13. Sponsorship logos, racing stickers and car names are all encouraged.
14. There are no more rules. So get cracking, but above all, have fun!

HOW DO I REGISTER FOR THE NATIONAL RALLY?

Click on the **Humanitix link** below.
https://events.humanitix.com/morris-minor-national-rally-2027/tickets

Humantix is the program that will organise and administer the finance side of the National Rally. CLICK on the link and fill out your details.

We require a $50per person refundable deposit to reserve your place.

A quick estimate of the final rally price will be around $200-$230 per person (incudes Grill Badge, Gala Dinner and Welcome Celebration and Breakfasts).

Parade Laps of Winton Motor Raceway will be an extra charge*

We are working on Sponsorship options to keep the costs down - more details to come

***More details in the next Bulletin.**

Catch the latest up to the minute goss on the **Morris Minor National Rally Facebook Page**

OTHER EVENTS:

EDITOR'S JULY 2026 REPORT:

Hello everyone,

If anyone has any suggestions for future speakers please let any Committee member know so we can arrange them to attend one of our regular Club Meetings.

I appeal to any of our new members who will have stories about their love of the Moris Minor and their restoration journey's I lovve to be able to include them in the Generator.

Any tips and hints would be very welcome as well.

Barb Went, Editor

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